

Board of Selectmen Minutes
Special Meeting
Thursday, October 18, 2018 at 6:30 pm
Town Hall Meeting Room

Attendance: First Selectman Chris Spaulding, Selectman Stephan Grozinger, Selectman Brian Gordon, Town Administrator Jonathan Luiz, Administrative Assistant Randi Derene and Weston Residents.

This meeting was videotaped and can be viewed on Channel 79 and on our Town of Weston website.

1. **Call to Order** – First Selectman Spaulding called the meeting to order 6:30
2. **Pledge of Allegiance** – led by Ilisa Nussbaum
3. **Discussion/decision to appoint Ilisa Nussbaum as our Westport/Weston Health District representative for a term to end June 30, 2021** - Selectman Grozinger moved to appoint Ilisa Nussbaum as our Westport/Weston Health District representative for a term to end June 30, 2021. Selectman Gordon seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
4. **Discussion/decision to reappoint Katherine McConnaughey to the Lachat Town Farm Commission for a term to end June 30, 2021.** Selectman Gordon moved to reappoint Katherine McConnaughey to the Lachat Town Farm Commission for a term to end June 30, 2021. Selectman Grozinger seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
5. **Discussion/decision to establish a Special Town Meeting on November 1, 2018 for purpose of authorizing the town to publish a summary of newly adopted ordinances** First Selectman Spaulding explained that he tried to publish the newly adopted ordinances, but our local paper folded and the Norwalk hour was backed up. Mr. Luiz stated he did some research and said that the BOS can vote to publish a summary instead of posting the entire ordinance. Mr. Luiz said that the intent of this motion is to have a Special Town Meeting to re-vote on these items which would reset the clock for publishing. Selectman Grozinger moved

to establish a Special Town Meeting on November 1, 2018 at 7:00pm in the Town Hall Meeting Room for purpose of determining the following question: "Shall the Town Clerk be authorized to publish a summary of the following recently adopted ordinances in a newspaper with a circulation in Weston: 1) A new Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System Regulation Ordinance; 2) A new Commercial Single-Use Plastic Ban Ordinance; 3) Amendments to Ordinance Chapter 38, Citations; and 4) Amendments to Ordinance Chapter 135, Property Maintenance." Selectman Gordon seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

6. **Property Tax Refunds:** Selectman Grozinger moved to approve property tax refunds totaling \$1,765.04 as presented. Selectman Gordon seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
7. **Discussion/decision to apply for a Connecticut Recreational Trails Program Grant** First Selectman Spaulding said we can get the COG to support the grant application. He explained this grant money would go towards the rehabilitation of the trail at Bisceglie Park and an extension of it. Selectman Grozinger moved to authorize the First Selectman to apply for a Connecticut Recreational Trails Program Grant. Selectman Gordon seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
8. **Discussion/decision to apply for a Local Transportation Capital Improvement Program Grant** – First Selectman Spaulding explained we are looking into an extension of existing sidewalks plans. Mr. Luiz stated the Town is expected to cover pre-construction costs and right of way costs. Selectman Gordon moved to authorize the First Selectman to apply for a Local Transportation Capital Improvement Program Grant. Selectman Grozinger seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
9. **Approve BOS Minutes: September 28th & October 4th** : Selectman Grozinger moved to approve the Board of Selectman minutes from October 4th 2018. Selectman Gordon seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
10. **Discussion/decision to adopt a whistleblower policy.** First Selectman Spaulding stated that our Town Auditor recommended we put this policy into place. Mr. Luiz added that we were advised by Blum Shapiro as well, stating that this is a best practice. Mr. Luiz also said this was reviewed by town attorney. Selectman Grozinger moved to adopt a whistleblower policy for Town Employees.

Selectman Gordon seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

11. **Discussion/decision regarding a request from the Board of Education to create a new capital account #5019664-55001 entitled “BOE WIS & WHS Roof Maintenance” and to transfer into said account \$43,000 from Capital Account # 5019652-55001, entitled “BOE Repair Knee Wall WIS”** Mr. Luiz explained the motion is detailed for record keeping purposes. First Selectman Spaulding explained the history. Board of Education Chair, Gina Albert spoke about the knee wall replacement project which was funded in capital budget. She explained that warranties were reviewed and some covered repairs were made. Mr. Luiz and the Board suggested taking some of the savings from this project to do more repairs to the roof. Item tabled to later in meeting.
Selectman Gordon moved to table this item. Selectman Grozinger seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

12. **Executive Session to discuss the sale of real estate:** First Selectman Spaulding asked for a motion to enter into executive session (Mr. Luiz invited) at 6:56pm to discuss the sale of real estate. Selectman Grozinger moved, Selectman Gordon seconded, motion carried unanimously.

13. **Agenda item #11 continued:** First Selectman Spaulding asked for a motion. Selectman Grozinger moved to create a new capital account #5019664-55001 entitled “BOE, WIS & WHS Roof Maintenance” and to transfer into said account \$43,000 from Capital Account #5019652-55001, entitled “BOE Repair Knee Wall WIS”. Selectman Gordon seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

14. **Proclamation for Weston Little League District 1 12U team:** First Selectman Spaulding presented the proclamation.

15. **Adjournment:** Selectman Grozinger moved to adjourn at 7:27pm. Selectman Gordon seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes taken by: Randi Derene, Administrative Assistant

Approved: November 8, 2018